

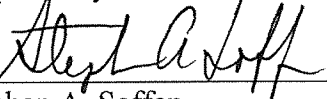
REMARKS

Further to the Amendment filed on July 3, 2008, new independent claim 23 has been added to cover the embodiment of the invention in which the strengthening member is applied to a vehicle with a vertical windscreen, such as a bus or truck.

Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

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